

The Examiner also indicated that the application failed to contain an abstract. It is respectfully noted that the application as filed contained an abstract as evidenced by the copy of the application which is accessible through the PTO's public PAIR system.²⁾ For the Examiner's convenience, applicants have reformatted the Abstract to fit on a single page. Favorable action is solicited.

The Examiner further requested election of one of the following groups of claims:

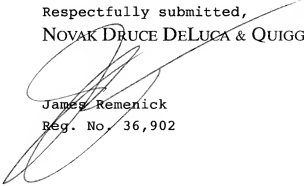
(I) Claims 16 to 27 drawn to a molding composition, and

(II) Claims 28 and 29, drawn to a copolymer (D).

Applicants herewith elect group (I), ie. Claims 16 to 27 drawn to a molding composition, without traverse. Early action on the merits is solicited.

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Encl.: SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS (Appendix I)
SUBSTITUTE LISTING OF THE CLAIMS (Appendix II)

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2) Cf. pages 36 and 37 of the application which are in the public PAIR files erroneously included in the section designated as "Claims."